

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS

OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12,17,23,24 & 30

1. REQUISITION NUMBER

5000019993

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2. CONTRACT NO.

3.AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE

4. ORDER NUMBER

5. SOLICITATION NUMBER

CT1815-07

6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE

12/15/2006

7. FOR SOLICITATION
INFORMATION CALL:

a. NAME

Treena Greene

b. TELEPHONE NUMBER (No collect calls)

8. OFFER DUE DT/LOCAL TIME

01/16/2007 2:00PM

9. ISSUED BY

CODE

UNICOR, FPI Central Office
320 First Street NW
Washington, DC 20534

10. THIS ACQUISITION IS

☒ UNRESTRICTED☐ SET ASIDE 0 % FOR☐ SMALL BUSINESS☐ SMALL DISADV.BUSINESS☐ 8(A)

SIC: 2299

11. DELIVERY FOR FOB
DESTINATION UNLESS
BLOCK IS MARKED☐ SEE SCHEDULE☐ 13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER
UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700)

13b. RATING

14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION

☐ RFQ☐ IFB☒ RFP

15. DELIVER TO

CODE

UNICOR, Atlanta Mattress
601 McDonough Blvd. SE
ATLANTA, GA 30315
USA

16. ADMINISTERED BY

CODE

UNICOR, FPI Central Office
320 First Street NW
Washington, DC 20534

17a. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR

CODE

999999999

FACILITY CODE

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-, DC

TELEPHONE NO. TIN:

RFQ: 6200005095

18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY

CODE

UNICOR FPI Central Acct Payable
P. O. Box 4000
BUTNER, NC 27509-4000 (1-800-827-3168),
USA☐ 17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER

18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW

IS CHECKED ☐ SEE ADDENDUM

19.

ITEM NO.

20.

SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES

21.

QUANTITY

22.

UNIT

23.

UNIT PRICE

24.

AMOUNT

See Section B

25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA

26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)

☒ 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4, FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA☒ ARE ☐ ARE NOT ATTACHED☐ 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4, FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA☐ ARE ☐ ARE NOT ATTACHED28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN 1 COPIES
TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET
☒ FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO
THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED HEREIN.29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REFERENCE _____
OFFER DATED _____. YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5),
☒ INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HERIN,
ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:

30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR

31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)

30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (TYPE OR PRINT)

30c. DATE SIGNED

31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (TYPE OR PRINT)

31c. DATE SIGNED
12/18/2006

Treena Greene

32a. QUANTITY IN COLUMN 21 HAS BEEN

☐ RECEIVED ☐ INSPECTED ☐ ACCEPTED, AND CONFORMS TO THE
CONTRACT EXCEPT AS NOTED

33. SHIP NUMBER

34. VOUCHER NUMBER

35. AMOUNT VERIFIED
CORRECT FOR☐ PARTIAL☐ FINAL

36. PAYMENT

☐ COMPLETE☐ PARTIAL☐ FINAL

37. CHECK NUMBER

32b. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED GOVT. REPRESENTATIVE

32c. DATE

38. S/R ACCOUNT NUMBER

39. S/R VOUCHER NUMBER

40. PAID BY

42a. RECEIVED BY (Print)

41a. I CERTIFY THIS ACCOUNT IS CORRECT AND PROPER FOR PAYMENT

41b. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CERTIFYING OFFICER

41c. DATE

42b. RECEIVED AT (Location)

42c. DATE REC'D (YY/MM/DD)

42d. TOTAL CONTAINERS

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Terms of delivery: DST

- Line Item 0001 - Base Period
- Line Item 0002 - Option Year 1
- Line Item 0003 - Option Year 2
- Line Item 0004 - Option Year 3

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This is a combined synopsis/solicitation for commercial items prepared in accordance with the format in Subpart 12.6 as supplemented with additional information included in this notice. This announcement constitutes the only solicitation; proposals are being requested and a written solicitation will not be issued. The solicitation number is CT1815-07 and is issued as a Request for Proposals (RFP). The solicitation document and incorporated provisions and clauses are those in effect through Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-13. The North American Industry Classification System code is 313230. UNICOR, Federal Prison Industries, Inc. intends to enter into a Two (2) year base period with Three (3) one-year options, if exercised, firm-fixed price requirements contract for MATTRESS PAD, SCRAP.

SEE SECTION B FOR LINE ITEM DESCRIPTION AND QUANTITIES

Delivery is required at the following location: USP Atlanta, 601 McDonough Blvd., SE, Atlanta, GA 30315. Deliveries are made F.O.B. Destination, which includes transportation charges. Delivery is required 15 days after receipt of the delivery order.

This procurement is not rated.

NOTE: THE CONTRACTING OFFICER HAS OPTED TO CONDUCT A COMPETITIVE, ANONYMOUS, ON-LINE REVERSE AUCTION. THE CONTRACTING ENTITY HAS RETAINED GLOBAL eProcure TO CONDUCT THE AUCTION FOR THIS SOLICITATION. Global eProcure refers to its auction as a Web-based Bidding event.

The following pertains to the SF1449, Solicitation/ Contract/Order for Commercial Items:

- Block 8, All offers are due @ 2:00 pm on January 16, 2007 packets should *EXCLUDE* pricing data.
- The Bid Acceptance Period is 60 Calendar Days from the Auction, which is scheduled for January 23, 2007.
- Include your TIN Number, DUNS Number, and telephone number in block 17a.
- Block 25, Funds are obligated by each delivery order and not the contract itself.
- Any questions or concerns regarding this solicitation shall be put in writing and addressed to the attention of Treena S. Greene, Contracting Officer, tgreene@central.unicor.gov.

PRODUCT SAMPLES -may be required prior to contract award. Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, these samples shall be submitted at no expense to the Government, and returned at the senders request and expense, unless they are destroyed during pre-award testing.

FPI 1000D PACKAGING AND MARKING

Supplement: LCL APPR

Preservation, packaging, and marking for all items covered by this contract shall be in accordance with commercial practice and adequate to insure acceptance by common carrier and safe arrival at destination. The contract number should be on or adjacent to the exterior shipping label. Each package received must be marked for type and quantity. A Certificate of Conformance must accompany each shipment.

All shipments must be labeled as follows:

- a. Vendor name
- b. Purchase Order number and/or Contract number
- c. Item description
- d. Item quantity and weight
- e. Other pertinent information

A Certificate of Conformance: (COC) shall accompany each shipment. The furnishing of a Certificate of Conformance shall be a condition of acceptance at destination, and payment shall not be made until it is received. All items shall conform to specification.

FPI 1000E1 IDENTIFICATION OF QUALIFIED LABORATORY AND SOURCE SAMPLING SOURCE SELECTION

Supplement: LCL APPR

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Reference FAR Clause 52.246-2, INSPECTION OF SUPPLIES - FIXED-PRICE (AUG 1996), paragraph (i) (1) AND (2), inspection of material to source sampling, the following clause titled IDENTIFICATION OF QUALIFIED LABORATORY AND SOURCE SAMPLING is hereby incorporated into and made a part of this contract:

- (a) The offeror or bidder shall indicate in paragraph (e) below the name and address of the laboratory or laboratories where components or end items will be tested during the course of any resultant contract. A Qualified Laboratories List (QLL) is available through the Commander, DPSC, 2800 South 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19101, ATTN: DPSC-POL. Any laboratory proposed by the contractor not on the QLL is subject to the approval of the Contracting Officer.
- (b) The Government QAR will cut samples from a lot at the textile component source and send them for testing to the Qualified Laboratory (QL) cited below. (The acceptability of each lot will be determined through the testing of these samples). In addition, the QAR will simultaneously cut samples from the same rolls of material and send them to the DPSC Laboratory. For end items, duplicate samples will be drawn. Source sampling procedures are detailed further in DPSC Manual, Quality Systems Requirement, 4155.3, which is incorporated by reference.
- (c) The prime contractor will notify the DPSC Laboratory (DPSC-POL #215-737-7052) in writing at least ten (10) days in advance when lots are to be presented to allow Government witnessing of QL testing. If the Government intends to witness testing, a representative from the DPSC laboratory will notify the QL. In the absence of Government notification, testing should proceed as scheduled.
- (d) If a laboratory is removed from the QLL during the course of a contract, DPSC will perform the required testing for up to 30 calendar days from the date of removal. The contractor is responsible for securing the services of another QL during this period. The charge for testing will be the DPSC Laboratory's effective cost rate on the date of testing.
- (e) Any change in the laboratory (laboratories) specified below is prohibited unless approved in advance by the Contracting Officer.
- NAME AND ADDRESS OF LABORATORY - [].
- COMPONENT IDENTIFY * - [].
- NAME AND ADDRESS COMPONENT SOURCE - [].
- * When a single lot of material requires testing by more than one laboratory for difference characteristics, list the name of the secondary laboratory and test characteristics below:
- NAME AND ADDRESS OF LABORATORY - [].
- COMPONENT IDENTIFY - [].
- TEST CHARACTERISTICS - [].
- (f) It is solely the prime contractor's responsibility to schedule QL testing and to obtain test reports. The cost of QL testing shall also be borne by the prime contractor.
- (g) Shipment of component materials to the prime contractor need not be deferred pending test results except when shade approval is required (see paragraph (h)). Cutting production lots without a passing QL test report on the corresponding samples is done at the contractor's own risk.
- (h) Shade evaluation is acceptance testing. Therefore, component lots may not be shipped to the prime contractor until the DPSC Laboratory accepts the shade of the material.

Additional Requirements:

DPSCM 4155.3 TOXICITY REQUIREMENT - The contractor is responsible and must assure that all components are made from non-toxic materials. The government reserves the right to verify that components are non-toxic in accordance with the following:

1. Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, 1994 Edition

Section 798.4100 Dermal Sensitization
Section 798.44700 Primary Dermal Irritation

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Section 798.4500 Primary Eye Irritation Marzulli, F. & H. Maibach,
Contact Allergy: Predictive Testing in Humans, Advances in Modern Toxicology, Volume 4, pp 353-372, 1977

2. As an alternative to animal and human testing, the contractor may provide information which certifies that components are composed of chemicals and/or materials which have been safely used commercially where prolonged skin contact has occurred.

APPROVED FINISHES: The government is no longer responsible for publication of the list of approved finishes for textile goods. The contractor is responsible for assuring that chemical substances used to finish textile goods are non-toxic in accordance with the above provisions. All chemical finishes previously approved by the government for textile items do not require recertification of approval for use. All finishes shall be identified and accompanied by the appropriate Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) information/EPA rating to verify compliance with the paragraph above before use.

THE FOLLOWING FAR CLAUSES AND PROVISIONS APPLY TO THIS ACQUISITION:

52.204-6, Contractor Identification Number Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS)_____;

52.204-7, Central Contractor Registration;

52.211-16, Variation in Quantity, The permissible variation shall be +5%/ -5%;

52.216-18, Ordering (OCT 1995)

52.216-21 Requirements (Oct 1995)

52.217-9 Option to Extend the Term of the Contract (MAR 2000)

(a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within 30 days; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least 60 days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.

(b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.

(c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed sixty (60) months/five (5) years.

52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors - Commercial

52.212-2, EVALUATION - COMMERCIAL ITEMS, Significant evaluation factors are past performance, technical capabilities, and price. Past performance and technical capabilities when combined are significantly more important than cost or price. The Government may make award without discussions - therefore, the Offerors initial offer should contain Offerors best pricing. Tradeoff Process: It may be in the Government's best interest to consider award to other than the lowest priced offeror or other than the highest technical rated offeror. This process may include tradeoffs among cost/price and non-cost factors and allows the Government to accept other than the lowest priced proposal if the perceived benefits of the highest priced proposal are determined to merit the additional cost.;

52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications - Commercial Items.

52.212-4, Contract Terms and Conditions - Commercial Items; (PARAGRAPH (D) "DISPUTES", REPLACE WITH THE FOLLOWING:

52.233-1 Disputes (October 2003) (DEVIATION)

52.212-5, Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders - Commercial Items, which includes 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government, with Alternate I and

52.233-2, Service of Protest

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52.233-3, Protest after Award

52.242-15, Stop-Work Order;

52.246-1, Contractor Inspection Requirements;

The Contractor is responsible for performing or having performed all inspections and tests necessary to substantiate that the supplies or services furnished under this contract conform to contract requirements, including any applicable technical requirements for specified manufacturer's parts. This clause takes precedence over any Government inspection and testing required in the contracts specifications, except for specialized inspections or tests specified to be performed solely by the Government.

52.246-15, Certificate of Conformance applies.

52.246-16, Responsibility for Supplies;

FPI 1000H1, ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT

Twelve months after contract award date, contract prices for the succeeding twelve month period may be adjusted in accordance with the change in the Producer Price Index for Non-woven Fabric Mills (Series Id: PCU313230313230) from the date of award to the date of adjustment.

IT IS THE CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO REQUEST THIS ADJUSTMENT. Adjustments may be requested for a period not to exceed 10 days after the eligible adjustment date. Requests that are made after the 30 day limit will not be honored and the contract pricing will not be adjusted. The contractor shall submit any requests for adjustments in writing to the Contracting Officer. Requests shall include a copy of the relevant index and must be within the allowed time period for adjustment. Any adjustments authorized as a result of the adjustment request will not be retroactive. The date the completed request is received by the Contracting Officer will be the effective date of any changes in price. The contractor also is required to request downward price adjustments. All downward adjustments will be retroactive to the authorized adjustment date as specified in this clause. If downward price adjustments are not requested and this is later revealed through audits or otherwise, the contractor shall reimburse the Government the amount overcharged plus interest. Interest will be computed at the rate set annually by the Secretary of the Treasury for late contract payments. Interest will accrue from the date the adjustment should have been made. In computing any contract price adjustment, the most recently published index as of the date of award will be compared to the most recently published index as of the date of adjustment. No adjustment shall be made if the referenced change is less than 2%. Total upward adjustment for the contract period, including any option periods, shall not exceed ten (10) %, based on the original or option period contract price; downward adjustments are not limited. Indices are available from the bureau of Labor Statistics, 600 E Street N.W., Washington, DC 20212, telephone 202-691-5200 or www.bls.gov.

SOURCE SELECTION INFORMATION:

All of the evaluation criteria in this section are Source Selection information as per FAR 3.104.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION ***EXCEPT PRICING*** IS DUE BY 2:00P.M. on January 16, 2007. Required documents are:

1. A copy of the solicitation (filled out); along with an original signed copy of standard form 1449, with blocks 12, 17a, 30a, and 30c completed (Reminder: do not fill in pricing information in Section B)
2. A signed copy of any amendments issued prior to the offer due date.
3. 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications_____ has been completed online _____ is attached with its offer.
4. FPI9999-999.9, Business Management Questionnaire (completed for 3 references) this must be completed and provided with your offer- The document can be downloaded at the following website:

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http://www.unicor.gov/fpi_contracting/about_procurement/forms/.

(Offerors who fail to furnish the required documentation with its offer may be considered to have rejected the terms and conditions of the solicitation and therefore excluded from consideration and the reverse auction.)

Proposals can be hand-delivered or sent via certified mail or express delivery noting the solicitation number on the outside of the package to the attention of Treena S. Greene 400 First Street, N.W., 6th floor, Washington, D.C. 20534. FAXES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Any amendments hereby issued to this solicitation shall be synopsisized in the same manner as this solicitation and must be acknowledged by each offeror. Offerors must hold prices firm for sixty(60) calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers. Offers or modifications shall be received by the date and time specified in this solicitation or they shall not be considered for award.

Future requirements from a UNICOR factory may be modified to add items to this contract if considered to fall within the scope of work and the price is determined to be fair and reasonable.

REVERSE AUCTION PROCEDURES

I. GENERAL

For the purpose of expediting price related discussions, the Contracting Officer has opted to conduct a competitive, anonymous, on-line reverse auction using Global eProcure. UNICOR has contracted with Global eProcure to conduct the reverse auction for this solicitation. HOWEVER, THE ON-LINE REVERSE AUCTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO IMPLY THAT THIS SOLICITATION IS BEING CONDUCTED UNDER THE PROCEDURES SET FORTH AT FAR PART 14, SEALED BIDDING. Rather, this solicitation is being conducted under the procedures set forth at FAR Part 12 and 13, Acquisition of Commercial Items.

During the auction, Offerors will provide pricing through submission of electronic offers via the Global eProcure website. The primary pricing competition for this solicitation will be through the online reverse auction. Global eProcure will explain this process in detail and train each qualified offeror prior to the reverse auction through a simulated reverse auction. Qualified Offerors will have the ability to submit revised pricing during the auction in response to prices submitted by other Offerors. The identity of Offerors will not be revealed to each other during the auction. The final such revision during the auction will be considered the Offerors final proposal. The Contracting Officer reserves the right to conduct verbal or written discussions with respect to factors other than price with the Offerors at anytime prior to award. Only Offerors that have been determined qualified will be permitted to participate in the auction. Offerors who are deemed qualified will be notified by the Contracting Officer. QUALIFIED OFFERORS WILL BE CONTACTED DIRECTLY BY GLOBAL EPROCURE VIA E-MAIL REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN THE REVERSE AUCTION. THE CONTACT AT GLOBAL EPROCURE WILL BE Shani Senbetta, ASSOCIATE, (732) 382-6565 EXTENSION 1589, E-MAIL: shani.senbetta@globaleprocure.com.

II. TRAINING OF OFFERORS

Global eProcure will train designated employees for each offeror using real time mock auctioning to familiarize the Offerors employees with the online auctioning system. Detailed bidding event guidelines and directions will be e-mailed to Offerors prior to the practice and the live bidding event.

III. REVERSE AUCTION

- a. During the auction, Offerors may revise their initial pricing proposal through submission of electronic offers during the anonymous auction. This auction shall constitute discussions with the Offerors. The final such revision during the reverse auction will be considered the Offerors Final Proposal Revision (FPR).
- b. The Contracting Officer reserves the right to suspend or cancel the auction at any time. If the Contracting Officer cancels the auction, Final Proposal Revisions will be requested by an amendment to the solicitation.
- c. Notwithstanding FAR 52.215-5, Offerors will submit revised pricing only through the online mechanism supplied by Global eProcure. Offerors will not submit revised pricing via any other mechanism including but not limited to post,

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courier, fax, E-mail, or orally unless specifically requested by the Contracting Officer.

d. The reverse auction bidding period shall be set by the Contracting Officer as indicated in Section IV, paragraph (a). Electronic offers shall be submitted by Offerors during the auction period. The reverse auction is designed to extend the closing time of a bidding lot if there are any offers placed in the final two (2) minutes of the bidding lot. If an offer is placed within the last two (2) minutes of the closing time, the time period shall be extended for two (2) additional minutes beyond the scheduled closing.

e. ANY OFFEROR EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTIES DURING AN AUCTION MUST NOTIFY GLOBAL EPROCURE IMMEDIATELY. Difficulties include any event or problem, which interferes with the Offerors ability to participate in the auction and may include, but is not limited to: data entry errors, software problems, or hardware problems. Offerors will have five (5) minutes after a Lot goes into Verifying status to notify Global eProcure of any problems. If the Contracting Officer judges that any Offeror has been disadvantaged by a problem, they may direct Global eProcure to address the problem and return the Lot to Open status.

f. Any and all Offeror contact with Global eProcure is for the sole purpose of facilitating the auction and shall not be considered discussions with the Offeror within the meaning of FAR Part 15.

g. For purposes of FAR 52.203-2, and in accordance with subparagraph (c) thereof, submission of a proposal by the Offeror shall be considered certification by the Offeror that the only knowing disclosure by the Offeror of its prices to any other Offeror will be during the auction. The Offeror further certifies that disclosure by the Offeror of its prices during the reverse auction shall not be for the purposes of restricting competition.

h. UNICOR reserves the right to reject any or all quotes received for any or all lots.

AUCTION RULES

A. The date and time of the PRACTICE REVERSE AUCTION will be Monday, January 22, 2007 at 1:00 PM Eastern Standard Time.

B. The date and time of the Live Reverse Auction is Tuesday, January 23, 2007 at 1:00 PM Eastern Standard Time.

C. The reverse auction shall be designated as REVERSE AUCTION #CT1815-07.

D. Only qualified Offerors will be permitted to submit electronic quotes through the reverse auction. Quotes that Offerors submit through the reverse auction are legally binding quotations without qualification. QUOTES MAY NOT BE CANCELLED OR WITHDRAWN EXCEPT FOR DATA ENTRY ERRORS. Contractors must submit their quotes through the online bidding mechanism supplied by Global eProcure and not through any other mechanism including but not limited to post, courier, fax, e-mail, or orally.

E. There will be four lots.

Lot One	Two-year Base Period
Lot Two	First Option Year
Lot Three	Second Option Year
Lot Four	Third Option Year

EXTENSION TIMES WILL BE TWO (2) MINUTES.

Scheduled Opening 1:00 PM Eastern Standard Time

Specific questions regarding this solicitation shall be referred to the Contracting Officer ONLY.

Global e-Procure is NOT responsible for providing a response to vendors on neither technical or contracting issues nor do they have the technical expertise for this procurement.

THE CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THE NAME, E-MAIL ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND FAX NUMBER OF THE PERSON WHO WILL BE REPRESENTING THE COMPANY DURING THE AUCTION.